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ENVIRONMENT IMPLEMENTED IN CREATING A SIMULATION

APPLICATION

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APPLICANT'S COMMENTS ON

EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.104(e)

The Applicant notes that the Examiner has given some of the reasons for allowing the claims. Applicant notes that the limitations in the independent claims provide additional novel and non-obvious reasons for patentability in view of the prior art references. The scope of the claims may also be broader then the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance.

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